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A FEW SOCIALISTS IN CONGRESS WOULD MAKE THE OTHERS HUSTLE

By Victor L. Berger.

"The Social-Democratic proposition that at the age of 60 years every man shall be entitled to a pension provided he never received an income beyond a specified amount per year does not arouse the chorus of universal approbation which was probably anticipated by its author. Probably its author was a benevolent visionary, eager that his fellow men should have the prospect of ease and luxury, and never considering very closely the practical question of who would foot the bills.

"There is more than one point of view from which this civil pension proposition seems vicious. A fundamental objection to it is that it would tend to paralyze industry and enterprise. A man with his hope fixed on a pension not to be paid if he raised himself into the ranks of the moderately prosperous would hardly feel like combating indolence too hard, for fear of injuring his prospects. There are too many lazy people in the world now. This would make more.

"Why is it that there should be a proposition to pension elderly men, and none to pension elderly women? Many a woman who has worked hard all her life, either for relatives or for employers paying her wages pitifully small compared with what the same quality and quantity of service would command from a man, finds herself in advanced age without the means of independent support. Would not society do better to pension women for working than to pension men for holding back and not working as hard as they might?

"After all, however, a fundamental question is, how would the great sums required for old-age pensions be raised? Of course, they would have to be raised by taxation, and by reason of grinding taxation, some people possessed of little property would find themselves unable to hold it. A system which would encourage indolence and make paupers by overburdening small property owners is surely not to be welcomed with open arms by American workmen."—*Evening Wisconsin* (Mil.), July 20.

WELL, I happen to be the "benevolent visionary" eager that his fellow men should have the prospect of ease and luxury—if an income of \$12 a month will put any man into "ease and luxury"—and I am sure the editor of the *Evening Wisconsin* would require a little more than \$12 a month in order to live in ease and luxury.

Our friend of the *Evening Wisconsin* is also mistaken when he thinks that our plan does not include women.

Our plank reads as follows:

"To enact a law granting every wage-worker over 60 years of age, who has earned less than \$1,000 a year and has been a citizen of the United States for sixteen years, a pension of not less than \$12 a month for the rest of his or her life."

The term *wage-worker* means a woman as well as a man. It denotes any person working for wages, whether a clerk, stenographer, hired girl or washer-woman, or a railroad engineer, typesetter or bookkeeper. We agree with the *Evening Wisconsin* absolutely on the woman question, or rather we disagree with him absolutely, because the *Evening Wisconsin* does not want to pension the women either.

The fundamental question as to "who is to foot the bills?" is a question which is easily answered. Why, of course, the workmen will foot the bill. They are raising so many thousands millions every year for the capitalists, for the officials, for the army and navy and for the innumerable other things. They ought to be able to get back at least a little share of all that for themselves as an old-age pension.

Under our plan there will be not quite a million men and women receiving a pension of \$144 a year. That would amount to about \$144,000,000 a year—a mere bagatelle for Uncle Sam, who was spending \$101,671,881 for the army in 1907, and \$97,606,595 for the navy, not figuring the new battleships.

Besides, the United States pays a pension to 967,371 persons now, to the veterans of the Civil War and their dependents, in 1907 it was \$128,030,894.22. There are still 558 pensioners of the war of 1812, and even three daughters of the Revolution of 1776.

Other countries have been paying old-age pensions to the workmen for a long time. Germany enacted a sick benefit law in 1883, and an old-age pension law in 1889. A pension is drawn after five years of payment by all when reaching 70 years, and at any age if disabled from earning one-third of the previous wages.

The dues for these insurances are paid partly by the insured (man or woman) by the wage-worker, partly by the employer and partly by the state. The employer is held responsible for the payment. By law he must pay one-half and often agrees to pay all without deduction from wages. For accident insurance he must pay all of it anyway, under the law. Dues are paid in stamps sold at post-offices and pasted on each workers' pass book. By the three kinds of insurances—sick benefit, accident and old-age pension—every wage-worker in the country earning not over \$467 a year is insured—a total of over 14,000,000 persons.

Austria established compulsory insurance for sickness and accident in 1888, and in 1898 a plan for old-age pensions. France has had compulsory accident insurance for minors since 1894, dues being paid one-half by the employers and one-half by employees. The government is now working on a bill to give an old-age pension to every working man and working woman in France. A bill of the same type is now pending in the English Parliament and on the very day when the article of the *Evening Wisconsin* was written the bill passed the House of Lords with a majority of 123 to 16—because both of the old English parties had agreed to it—both admitting that they were afraid of the English Socialists who had made such terrific gains at the last general election.

And if we elected some Social-Democrats to Congress in this country, you would see how quickly the old parties would try to get things for us!

Denmark, Switzerland, Sweden and Norway are all now considering various forms of compulsory accident insurance and old-age pensions.

New Zealand, since 1890, has paid \$87.59 to every person, man or woman, past 65 years of age, who has kept sober for the preceding five years, and who has lived twenty-five years in the colony, and whose income from other sources is less than \$260. New South Wales started a similar pension fund in 1900, paying \$2.43 per week to every person over 65. Why not also in America?

Marcus A. Hanna, the brightest statesman of the capitalist class, forced an old-age pension plank into the Republican national platform of 1900. But the plank was quietly dropped by the blockheads who succeeded Mark Hanna in the leadership of the Republican party. They much prefer to make deals with Tammany and the Democrats of the Bryan type—to the enactment of any measures which may mean something in the end.

It is ridiculous to claim that such a system would encourage indolence and make paupers of the workers. The average wage of the American workmen is less than \$450 a year—his earning ability begins to decline with the age of 45—some railroads set even a lower limit—and, as a rule, the capacity for earning a livelihood ceases at the age of 60.

How is a man, especially if he has a large family—and workmen usually serve their country also by bringing up a family—to save a competence for his old age out of an average wage of \$450 per annum? It is the present capitalist system that is making paupers.

Besides, we have to take care of our old disabled workmen anyway

Last February an Italian crept along one of the aisles of a Catholic church in Denver and without warning shot down one of the priests, Father Leo Heinrichs, in the midst of the service. The horrible crime naturally raised conjectures as to what possible motive could have moved the man to such an act. What interest could impel a man to such a deed? Capitalism trotted out its Anarchist bogey, of course, but generally the belief was, as the assassin had been living a half-starved life at a charity refuge, that he had become half-crazed and that he took a human life out of pure recklessness. Now we have his own story. Ever since the crime he has expressed satisfaction over his deed, and just before he was hanged last week he admitted that he had followed the priest from Portugal for the express purpose of revenging himself upon him for having broken up his family.

Mister Taft has made a rather bad break, from the capitalist newspaper standpoint. He has declared that, contrary to the bourgeois view, he sees nothing wrong in the people discussing and criticising the courts.

From the standpoint of capitalist interests, Taft has one very bad failing. He talks too much. And he is too anxious to concede rights to the common herd.

He justifies proper criticism of the courts by the people because "by such criticism those who administer justice shall feel that they are under the critical eye of men and women entitled to have justice administered without fear or favor; as long as the people feel that this is their court, that when it goes wrong, when it results in injustice, they ought to be ashamed for it, and they are responsible for it, we can count on a continuance of free government."

Manifestly this is a break. For capitalism was making hay out of the fact that it had become an unwritten law that to criticise the judiciary was contempt of court. And now, with Taft's permission, the people will speak their contempt out loud—and it will certainly do the courts good.

The chairman of the Wisconsin Democratic convention this week devoted quite a little of his speech to Socialism. He was at great pains to deny that Jesus was a Socialist "as the Socialists claim." The Socialists do not claim any such thing. What they do claim has been expressed by the *Encyclopaedia Britannica* in these words: "The ethics of Socialism and the ethics of Christianity are identical." Socialism comes as a next higher stage of society from capitalism, just as capitalism has been an evolution from feudalism. Christ was a communist. In his day such a thing as Socialism was unheard of. If Christianity is basic in individualism, as the chairman held, and by individualism he means the opposite of the social principle, then his claim is a pretty tough slander on Christianity.

How silent the ghoulish capitalist press is over the revelations at the execution the other day of the Italian who shot the Denver priest at the altar last February! When Alia committed his awful deed, capitalism lashed its tail—the daily press—and foamed at the mouth and its government started on an Anarchist baiting campaign and a far fetched effort was made to try

—either through charity or the poorhouse, both which are degrading and costly—or by means of an honorable pension, which is the cheapest method in the end.

Furthermore, the life-work of the wage-earner in the factory, mine, railroad, steamship, etc., is far more dangerous than that of a soldier—and is infinitely more useful. There are more men killed and disabled in the mines and factories and the railroads every year than were killed and disabled during any year of the Civil War. (During the last fiscal year 122,855 were maimed and 11,839 killed on the railroads alone.) Therefore, even from the standpoint of risk, the soldier of the common weal, who works and dies for the country—the workman—ought to be entitled to pension fully as much as the soldier of the common weal, who lives and bums for his country.

For President
EUGENE V. DEBS
For Vice-President
BENJAMIN HANFORD
"A Gigantic Advance."

London.—Two remarkable demonstrations have been held this week, if demonstrations they can be called—one the claim of justice made by one-half of the population, the other the stately and solemn expression of the life and force of the Anglican church.

If numbers and enthusiasm mark a movement, neither has been wanting, either in the woman's cause or in the great church congress. But one feature characterized both, and that was the gigantic advance which Socialism has made in every movement that touches human life.

Nothing has been so evident in the pan-Anglican gatherings. The expressions which were used at those great meetings of ecclesiastics would, some years ago, not have been tolerated for a second.

Indeed, they would have been looked upon as subversive to all religion. But we have only got to examine for a few moments the subjects chosen for discussion to find that, while the spread of Christianity in foreign lands was dealt with exhaustively and enthusiastically, the relation of Christianity to the great home problems was what, in the main, occupied the time and attention of the best thought and the best brains of the assembly.

Albert hall, the largest hall in London, was crowded day after day when the questions of sweated industries and such like social problems were unflinchingly dealt with.—From the News Letter of Lady Henry Somerset.

to connect the third party—the Socialists—with the crime. There were lurid stories of Anarchist plots and a systematic effort was made to "throw the scare" into the American people, in order that capitalism could throw up additional breastworks against the day of retribution that its guilty conscience makes it feel to be inevitable.

Last week Alia was hanged and just before the judicial murder took place he told the people that he was a Sicilian, that he did not know what Anarchism was, that he formerly lived in Portugal and had worked for Father Heinrichs there, that Father Heinrichs had violated his wife and that he had followed him to this country intent on taking the revenge that seemed proper to his Sicilian understanding. And just before the trap was sprung Alia shouted "Long live Italy!" and cursed the name of the priest he had slain, which bore out the story of hatred for the Catholic church because of the wrong he had suffered through one of its priests. An effort had been made to get Alia pardoned, and after the hanging the governor stated that had he known Alia's story in time he would have granted a stay of execution. All these facts a guilty capitalist press saw fit to keep from the people.

Dave Rose of Milwaukee was one of the political capitalistic scamps who made industrious use of the Alia incident in an effort to blacken Socialism. In his campaign speeches this Spring he fulminated about the red assassin who was led by the preachings of the Socialists to stalk down the aisle of the house of God and shoot down one of God's ministers, etc., etc.

The cost of such a train, making a trip twice across the continent, will be about \$20,000. Some of this will be raised by the meetings along the route, by the sale of literature on the train, and carrying excursionsists between meetings. But \$15,000 must be raised before the train starts. If this sum is raised, or pledged promptly, the "Red Special" is assured.

This is a special feature, and must detract in no wise from the regular campaign. Indeed, this special feature should increase the general activity in every direction along the line.

Another advantage that might be urged for the special train, with its flaring decorations and its output of literature and provocation of discussion, would be its effect on any attempt that would be made to treat the Socialist campaign with a newspaper conspiracy of silence. It would effectually block such tactics. The question is, can the money be raised? On page four you will find another reference to the matter, together with directions as to how to forward your mite.

Victor L. Berger

A GROWING DEMAND FOR THE TRUTH

The capitalist interests seem determined to do all in their power to help along the agitation for Socialism. They have just begun a rehash of all the old, worn-out attacks on Socialism, and have put their ablest intellectual prostitutes on the job. From now till the end of the fall campaign certain magazines and newspapers will reap a rich harvest. Their editors have discovered that the Socialists pay more attention to an attack than they do to a jolly. We owe them thanks for circulating untruths about the movement, for they thereby prompt many to seek for the truth, which furnishes us with abundant opportunity for effective propaganda. Send in your contributions to the Wisconsin literature fund, and help us supply the growing demand for the truth.—Wisconsin S.-D. P. Executive Board, E. H. Thomas, Sec.

To the State Executive Board Social-Democratic Party of Wisconsin:
Please place the enclosed sum (\$.....) to the credit of the
Wisconsin Literature Fund, and oblige

The capitalist Polish politicians in Milwaukee took their cue from Rose and used the story as a bugaboo among the Polish Catholics in the effort to keep the Polish ward from swinging into the Social-Democratic column. Doubtless they reasoned, and reasoned correctly, that when the truth came out, the capitalist press would stand guard over the people and prevent them from getting the real facts.

In all likelihood the Socialist presidential candidates will make their campaign tour this year in a special train. This is the proposal, and it is believed that the movement has now grown large enough to undertake it, stupendous though it is.

The party raised \$10,000 to pay mileage of the delegates to the recent national convention. Twice this sum will be needed for the special train, but our party is ready for big things, and, considering that, instead of sixty-five night meetings for the presidential candidate under the old way, over half a thousand stops would be possible with the special train, and the advertising would be tremendous.

In detailing the plan to the national executive committee, National Secretary Barnes said that if we had \$500,000 today and attempted to devise systematic advertising and spent that sum, the results would be less than secured by the continental trip of THE SOCIALIST SPECIAL TRAIN. It will command and force attention in thousands of publications.

This campaign feature will arrest the attention of thousands upon thousands who will think it time to investigate and know something about Socialism, and the demand for literature will be unprecedented. Aside from this, consider the opportunity for the distribution and sale of literature from THE SOCIALIST SPECIAL.

This proposition of a SOCIALIST SPECIAL TRAIN contains the following favorable features: It unites the entire Socialist forces upon one central object; knowledge of the project will be forced upon the attention of the entire population; as a news item it will appear in nearly every publication in the land; the advertising opportunities associated with it for our candidates, our campaign and our philosophy is unbounded; cities will be linked together in an endless chain by the excursion feature. Even at points where no stops are made the train will be watched for and Socialism will be the topic of conversation for the time being.

The special train, to start Aug. 31 and continue until election day, would consist of one combined sleeper, diner and observation car, with platform for speaking, a day coach and a baggage car. This train would carry the presidential candidates, a band of music, literature and other materials for making a rousing campaign. Already arrangements have been made for nearly 500 meetings, whereas under previous plans but 60 could have been held.

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SOME EDITORIAL OBSERVATIONS.

By Frederic Heath.

By all means let the courts be the people's courts!

It is an expensive thing for the people to dare to go to law with an octopus.

Oh! If the people would only look the other way while the capitalist parties fix up their campaign funds!

The United States Court of Appeals now decides that *Mahomet Rockefeller* need not go to the *Kenesaw Mountain*.

A foul-smelling Gould divorce case ought to be worth something to the yellow sheets, even if the air is full of politics just now.

It is so much easier to denounce divorce than to take a stand against the economic system that produces the greater share of divorces.

Senator Stephenson, a self-confessed timber thief, wants to go back to the Uncle Sam's millionaire senate. By all the tokens, he belongs there!

The national Socialist platform is by the working people, for the working people, and of the working people. But Mr. Gompers pretends not to notice it.

Tolstoi's latest protest against judicial murder has a grand ring to it. But the czar is probably too callous by this time to care how much feeling it arouses.

A season of wine and woman abroad has filled Charley Schwab with a deep conviction that prosperity for the United States is returning. We wish it were. But we hate false alarms.

One thing can certainly be said regarding the reversal of Judge Landis: No one ever dreamed that Standard Oil would have to pay the twenty-nine million dollar fine, so no one is much surprised.

Artificial respiration has been instrumental in saving some lives. Evidently the capitalist interests are now pinning their faith on the same sort of thing to get the breath of life into the flabbergasted full-dinner-pail prosperity!

We condemn the capitalist wage system as opposed to the good of the masses. No wage-worker can stay a worker and depend entirely upon wages and become well-to-do, just revolve that fact in your mind, please. It is a pretty serious fact.

Public sentiment is backing up the Socialists of Great Britain just at this time. The top-lofty house of lords actually had to pass an old-age pension bill in order to head off the Socialist old-age pension demands. Every little bit helps.

It is a rather slimy day that does not bring news of a Socialist victory somewhere about the globe. Word comes of a big victory in Finland, where 84 Social-Democrats were elected to the national parliament in the recent election. Please bring a washtub for the czar's tears!

Will her serene expatriated highness, Annie Gold, daughter of that old rascal, Jay Gould, please to still deign to exist upon the millions of dollars provided for her year after year by the cracking muscles of under-fed American workmen and working women and working children!

There are some appetites that continually whet themselves to greater demands. The demand of the people for proper legislation in their own interests is such an appetite. The old parties that think to appease that appetite by yielding a few notches of popular legislation soon find that they only feed the flame they fear.

The son of man had not where to lay his head and he asked his followers to sell what they had and give the proceeds to the poor. But that was nearly two thousand years ago. Christianity has changed with the times. The archbishop of Milwaukee has just removed his religious residence to a palace on Grand avenue, Milwaukee, that was built with the wealth of the late brewery king, Capt. Pabst.

It is reported that Victor Greyson, the first Socialist to be elected to parliament in England as a straight party candidate, will make an American tour. He is said to be an orator of no mean merit. It was Greyson's election that started the panic among the British Tories, a panic which has been augmented as victory after victory has been recorded by the conquering Socialist and labor men.

Mr. Gompers is out in a stiff denial of the newspaper yarn to the effect that he expected to hand over the labor vote of the United States to Bryan and his suspicious running mate. He rightly says that such a

claim would be absurd. And especially would it be absurd considering that the rank and file of organized labor is becoming more and more permeated with Socialism.

We would remind Justice Brewer that the blacklist and the boycott are hardly to be compared. The blacklist is secret, cowardly, and against a human being's right to live and support his family. The boycott is at least open and above board, frank, and against, not human lives, but business operations. Moreover, the boycott, being in the open, is reachable. The blacklist, being secret, cannot be reached. One is at least an honest fight; the other is not.

It is not contempt of court to criticise the judiciary. Taft says so. This is a sort of disarming of predatory capitalist interests that have been in the habit of choosing the judges and then daring the people to criticise their decisions or their labor injunctions.

Taft was practically forced to declare himself, for he has been dogged for one last year by the ghosts of his miserable labor injunction work and he would like to exorcise the ghosts to increase his chances of election.

Mr. Gompers says he never said he would deliver the labor vote to Bryan, but that all he did say was that the working people should compare the labor features of the two old party national platforms. And if he were not still nursing that old grudge of his he would have made it the three parties, for labor will find the Socialist national platform a real labor platform, put forth by labor for labor. Perhaps this is why he did not make it three, he wants labor to vote capitalistic, as he still clings to his futile hope that one of the capitalist parties can at the same time be made to serve the opposite interests. Was there ever a "pipe dream" like that?

And just after Taft has graciously conceded our right to criticise the courts comes that reversal of the Standard Oil fine. Out of the case ought to come at least one salutary criticism, which is to the effect that if the Standard Oil hadn't had money it could not have had the reversal.

It costs money to stay in court. The poor man cannot get the protection of the courts because he has no money. In what way, therefore, can it be said that justice in these United States is equal as between the rich and the poor? This is our indictment of our system of justice. What do the people of this country propose to do with this great judicial iniquity?

Considering that the real monarchy in America is the United States Supreme Court, which really makes our laws for us and can do the bidding of the capitalistic instincts without fear of the people, the admission of Taft that it is no crime to criticise a court ought to help some. The absolutism of the supreme court is a blistering affront to the spirit of American government—not the hypocritical spirit, but the real spirit, the spirit of actual democracy—and the American people will not stomach it very much longer, we hope. And it is an evidence of how far the murmurings of the people have reached when a man like Taft has to concede the people the right of such criticism.

It is rather amusing to see the *Church Times*, the official journal of the Milwaukee Episcopal diocese, in its anxiety to take a shy at us, print articles against Socialism written by Romanists. And a worse piece of controversial pettifoggery could scarcely be found than the particular article selected. We note also a quoted article, presumably against Socialism and organized labor, although hysterically vague, in which is the following: "He hates the frauds of capital, and, therefore, sanctions fraudulent labor. He abhors the spirit of class, and, consequently, organizes labor into class leagues that would deny outside workers the privilege of free, honest work." This view will be applauded by that fraction of the employing class that wants its labor cheap and the men denied the right to organize, those business apostles of Self who want to keep others in semi-poverty in order that nothing shall stand in the way of their amassing riches and rising to the ability for higher citizenship for their own selfish selves. An impoverished, and therefore debased, working class does not make for good citizenship or for a society that really deserves the name. If the editor of the *Church Times* believes in that sort of a hypocritical society, he will find that those who stand with him are growing less every day.

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LABOR MISSIONARY IS CALLED TO BOOK

A PLAIN WORKINGMAN ANSWERS THE REV. STELZLE.

And the Answer Serves to Point Out the Growth of Socialism Amongst John Mitchell's Mine Owners.

A secretary of a miners' union in Ohio writes to John Mitchell's paper, the *United Mine Workers' Journal*, as follows:

"Editor *Miners' Journal*: Dear Sir—I have read with much interest the articles of Rev. Chas. Stelzle on 'church and organized labor.' But I must take exception with him on several points.

"It is true that the church should be interested—greatly interested—in the material welfare of the laboring men. The physical needs are of first importance in life. Underfed, shrunken bodies, brought up in an environment such as millions are brought up in today, have a mighty small place for spiritual things. As I have visited the crushed slum masses of New York, Chicago, St. Louis, San Francisco and the other large cities of our country, I have been compelled to wonder if the poor creatures had any souls within them at all.

"The laboring man looks upon the church with indifference—the church has paid no attention to him for so long that he has begun to look upon it as something to avoid. Not long ago a workingman said to me that he searches in vain for a true Christian spirit in the churches—and he is a professing Christian. It is up to the churches to come to the laboring man, to study his industrial needs, and fight for them with him if it wants his interest and co-operation.

"Rev. Stelzle says: 'Every year

the church spends twenty million dollars among the depressed people who live in the dark continents. Nobody knows how many times more is spent in cities and towns of Europe and America for the purpose of helping to lift the down-fallen.'

"These millions that are charitably spent for the 'depressed' do not come from the pockets of the workingmen; they come from the pockets of those, principally, who keep the laboring men depressed. Costly churches are built, missionaries are supported and charitable institutions are kept up by the wealthy. The laboring man is daily robbed—and he sees it—('Frenzied Finance' and the 'History of Standard Oil' corroborates his belief) that the 'dark continent' inhabitants may know about our religion and 'philanthropists' may get the praise and sanction of the press.

"Dear Stelzle, you are preaching peace where there is no peace, 'mutual interest' where there is none. Admitting that our greatest capitalists are the financial prominent members of the churches, how can the laboring man realize a 'mutual interest'? He cannot. It is the interest of capital to get as much work as possible out of the laboring man for the smallest wages. On the other hand, it is the object of the laborer to get as high wages as possible for work. Labor, strikes, Pinkerton detectives, militia and violence on both sides is evidence enough of this fact.

"Why are the three million and eight hundred thousand men out of employment in the United States today? Is it because the people do not need the goods? Why are thousands actually starving in our cities? Is it because crops have failed? We all know better! It is because the means of life are in the hands of a few, controlled by them for their selfish interest, and to crush the masses; a class whose sons are fools and whose daughters are foreign princesses.

"Class consciousness will exist as long as the present anarchistic and wasteful system exists. The trusts on one hand and the labor unions on the other is evidence of this fact. Labor unions were organized for the purpose of meeting the class consciousness of capital. The trade-unionist knows how the unorganized laborer is pushed in the mud. They don't ask him whether a reduction is acceptable to him or not. They simply 'cut' him—and he can do nothing. In our own miners' union, why are our prices what they are, why didn't we get a reduction at the last settlement? Because we recognize class consciousness on the other side, and to meet it we, too, must become class conscious. It is self-preservation—a law of life.

"No, Brother Stelzle, you are crying peace where there is none. The Christian church needs purification, and to do that you must stand with those who are fighting that 'class' which is making it corrupt. Jesus recognized this when he drove the money changers from the temple. I think if he were to come he would do the same thing today. The wealthy man, generally, is a profitable Christian. His money may be 'tainted,' but it builds fine churches and pays elegant salaries. 'Get ye out from among them,' says the book which millions of good people believe in, referring to evildoers and oppressors. 'Be ye a separated people.'

"You speak of charity, Mr. Stelzle. Charity is a good thing, it has often saved a man from starvation and death. But why not get rid of that which makes charity necessary? The millions of idle men in the country today are not begging alms. It is a chance to

work that they want and justification for their labor. The very word makes a healthy, honest man laugh at you.

"The fact is, brother, whether you realize it or not, you are 'beating around the bush,' you are talking on the surface of things, you are trying to treat the symptoms instead of the great sore itself. The trouble with the whole thing is the miserable, anarchistic competitive system under which we are living, and which compels every one of us to be dishonest in practice, regardless of principles. Rockefeller and his class are not to blame, any more than is the poorest victim in the slums. All are the natural result of a system that decrees that they could not be different from what they are. Put me in Mr. Rockefeller's place, with his same tendencies, and I would be no different than he is. The trust can do business cheaper than competing individuals, therefore the competitor must fall out—die off. Capital's large reserved army, the unemployed, force the laboring men to compete among themselves for the employment. So there you are, a war all around. Labor (under the present system) must fight each other for the jobs, the middle men are also in continual war with each other—and the trusts win all. The trusts have no competitor—they control the markets along their respective lines, and they will continue to do so until the people, society, recognize a class consciousness on the part of the trusts, and in order to meet it organize themselves into a class-conscious movement.

"Understand Socialism, Brother Stelzle, before you place your curse upon it. Don't take your knowledge of the movement from the street, or from what is more twisted, the daily paper, which is owned by your oppressor, and whose financial interest it is to keep you and me ignorant of what 'right and justice' really is. To combat Socialism we must know it, to advocate it we must know it."

About Paid Agitators.

I remember being in a cathedral city and speaking facing the theater, in front of which a well-dressed man was impatiently walking backward and forward, his jerky steps and general air of dissatisfaction showing that he could hear what was said and did not like it. After a while I lost sight of him, but he suddenly turned up a little to my left in the crowd. He shouted, angrily:

"I know what you are, sir!"
"I beg your pardon."

"I know what you are, sir!"
"Be careful, I'm not always quite sure myself."

"But I know. You're a paid agitator, sir."

"Oh! Is that all?"

"You're a paid agitator."

"Well, so is your bishop!"

"What?"

"So is your bishop!"

"Come, come, sir! You'll not have to say anything wrong with our bishop."

"I'm not saying anything wrong, am I? He is an agitator, or, at least, should be, and he's paid for it."

"Oh! But there is a great difference between you and our bishop."

"I drily replied, 'There is,' and the crowd laughed.

"Yes, there is, and we know it."

"You do. Very well. Let me explain. Your bishop is a very poor agitator, and very well paid. I am a very good agitator, and very poorly paid. That's all."

"I don't know about that," he replied.

"Oh, yes, you do. No man in this city knows it better. I've agitated you more in the last fifteen minutes than your bishop has agitated you in the last fifteen years."

A roar of laughter finished the conversation, and I can see him now trying to walk away with dignity and failing utterly; he knew we were laughing.—*London Justice*.

Capitalism's Duty Done.

Capitalism, perhaps, was a necessary cog in the world movement. It was necessary to the industrial growth, but it has had its day and its doom is sealed as certain as the old spinning-wheel and the antiquated printing press have been relegated to the relic shelves of expositions and historical societies. Socialists oppose, and most bitterly, the present trust methods of production and distribution. They brand the profit and wage system as a curse, and our greatest protest is addressed to you voters to become alert and do a little thinking for yourselves. You have permitted the ruling class, with the assistance of their plutocratic press, to do your thinking for you, and to mold your opinions just long enough. And when you have finally stirred up your mental machinery vote for the establishment of what this glorious revolution means.

The capitalist order which Rockefeller, Carnegie, Belmont, Roosevelt, Morgan and the rest uphold has proved itself a failure on all sides. In order to keep up Rockefeller et al profit system it is necessary to work boys and girls in the shops and mills and to maintain an army of unemployed. Hovels unfit to live in, food unfit to eat, clothes unfit to wear, and hunger and want in every city and country in this great nation are further evi-

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No dreamer ever yet accomplished aught;
"In idle wishes fools supinely stay,"
Says Crabbe; and, knowing wealth, crowns labor, adds,
"Where there's a will there wisdom finds a way."

To get the kernel you must crack the nut;
Pearls to the diver, gold to him that delves;
He that would eat his hare must catch it first,
For heav'n helps only them that help themselves.

In union there is strength, for many hands
Make labor easy; but stick to thy last,
And make haste slowly; waste not, lest thou want,
Look ere thou leapest; and what thou hast hold fast.

That that thou sowest thou shalt surely reap,
For no grape ever grew upon a thorn.
That men must ever work and women weep
Is true of all the millions yet unborn.

'Tis true "man's inhumanity to man"
Has made, and will make, "countless thousands mourn;"
But there's a turning in the longest lane,
And darkest hours are harbingers of dawn.

Capt. W. E. P. French, U. S. A.

dence of the system's failure. Alms-houses, potter's fields, bread lines, soup-kitchens and countless instances of barbarism are the accusers. I say it already has condemned itself and that it deserved destruction long ago. The wonder to me is that we have been patient so long; that we have been stupid so long.

It is just this present condition of affairs that has made it possible for three per cent of the American people to own more than 80 per cent of the wealth of the nation. And this unjust "dividing up" is permitting the three per cent to work their share up to 99 per cent. Their perches will be generous enough to leave one per cent in the possession of the rest, for if the useful class didn't own a little bit they might wake up to the fact that they were getting the worst of it. It is a mystery why this lethargy has existed so long.—*Henry T. Jones*.

Lower and Higher Classes.

"Saunders! do you know what Dr. Aberford means by the lower classes?" "Perfectly, my lord." "Are there any about here?" "I am sorry to say they are everywhere, my lord." "Get me some"—(cigarette).

Out went Saunders, with his usual graceful empressment, but an internal shrug of his shoulders. He was absent an hour and a half; he then returned with a double expression on his face. Proud at his success in diving to the very bottom of society, and contempt of what he had fished up thence.

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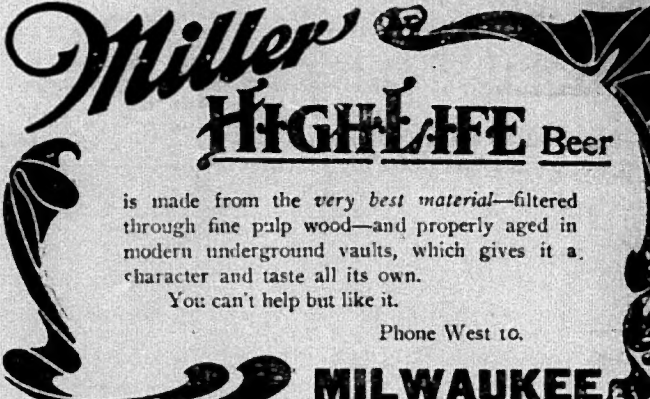
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The authorities at Dayton have renewed their attack upon street meetings and arrested several comrades. The police of Buffalo have started their usual summer diversion. The Paterson, N. J., comrades have won their contest and are now occupying a most prominent place in the city for their meeting with police protection, rather than interference. The Los Angeles comrades are putting up as vigorous a fight as ever and are receiving increased support from the workers, and some encouragement from unexpected sources.

"The Passing of the Small Farmers," reads a headline in a Socialist paper of British Columbia. But the small farmer is not passing, and no Socialist editor should try to mislead his readers on the subject. The small farmer is badly exploited by capitalism and often has but a dog's living as a consequence, but his numbers are not at all on the decline. Socialists cannot afford to make up facts to fit theories, even if they wish to.

Hardly a week passes without a new Socialist paper springing into existence. These new publications, for the most part, are weeklies, started in communities where Socialism has lately come into prominence. The latest publication to be announced, however, is a new international monthly to be devoted to Socialism as applied to the school teachers' profession.

It is planned to issue the first number of the *Progressive Journal of Education* in October. It will be published in Chicago. It is requested that all who desire to see such a publication in the field communicate at once, either by letter or postal, with Peyton Boswell, 180 Washington street, Chicago.

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Ald. Kane acted as general manager and his brother as attorney for a saloonkeeper who got a license in the council last Monday. Unless a saloonkeeper has pull with aldermen these days he must take his administration chances.

How could he do it! How could Mel. Hoyt face a convention of the hungry, unwashed Democracy and feed them on scriptural texts! Or did the presence of the unwashed confuse him into thinking he was in a Salvation Army barracks?

What Mel. Hoyt does not know about Social-Democracy would fill a library!

There is one kind of a "dead level" we will not have under Socialism, Mel. We refer to the dead level of graft which is represented by the average Democratic convention.

If Mel. Hoyt is the new savior of Democracy, Dave Rose must be the John the Baptist! And may we be permitted to ask Mr. Hoyt the irreverent question: If Jesus Christ came to earth, which group of Democracy would he be likely to join, the New York Tammany, the City Democracy of Milwaukee, or the Cook County Democracy of Chicago?

Before the war the Democratic party was mainly the party of the slave owners and exploiters. Now it is the party of the grafters, pimps, thieves and scoundrels. If there ever was such a thing as a thieves' party in the United States it is unquestionably the Democratic party. Mel. Hoyt ought to know this—he has said as much in his paper often enough.

When Corcoran appointed the council committees and made the Democrats a minority on the license committee, people wondered. Now they need wonder no longer. By means of secret sessions the committee can do things and the two Democratic members can oppose divekeepers in the star chamber meetings and then go outside and blame it on the other members of the committee. If they must hold star chamber sessions, let there also be a record kept of how the committee members vote.

What happened to Boden? Last Sunday he gave out an interview denying that he was positively in

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High-grade 35c French Zephyrs—none finer—marked down for Monday to... 19c
Sheer Organdies, Embroidered Swisses and other new 20c White Fabrics for waists or dresses marked down to... 11½c
Very sheer 30c quality White India Linen marked down for Monday's sale to... 15c
Fancy Voiles, Imported Swisses, Foulardines, etc., all new 25c and 35c novelties, marked down to... 13½c
40-in. very sheer plain white Victoria Lawns, suitable for dresses, waists, etc.—15c quality, Monday 8½c 25c quality, Monday 12½c

JULY

MARK-DOWN

SALE

For the first day of the last week—MONDAY, JULY 27th—we have planned a list of BARGAINS throughout the store that should command the attention of every man and woman for miles around.

MORNING SALES: Nobody will want to miss the Morning Specials of our July Mark-Down Sale on Monday, July 27th, from 8 o'clock a.m. till 12 o'clock noon. Attend the sale and be convinced.

No mail or telephone orders filled for Morning Specials; and, to prevent dealers from buying, the quantities are restricted.

Notions, Etc. Marked Down

ON SALE MONDAY, ALL DAY

8-yd. Piece of Silk Seam Binding for... 7c
Merzo Skirt Braid, 15c pieces, on Monday... 8c
Skirt Braid, 10c kinds, assorted colors, per yard... 1c
Black Tabular Shoe Laces—1 dozen for... 4c
Merrick's Gilt Edge Darning Cotton, 3 spools... 5c
Black Darning Cotton, Monday, 5 balls for... 5c
Hooks and Eyes 1c card; Side Garters, per pair 7c
25c Real Hair Nets... 19c
15c Real Hair Nets... 10c
Hair Rolls, 35c ones, at... 25c
65c Hair Coils only... 50c
1.50 Hair Switches... 1.19
Hair Coils marked down, 89c
Wire Hair Pins, 300 for... 4c
Kid Curlers, per dozen... 4c
Rubber Hair Curlers... 18c
25c Curling Irons... 17c

Floating Fairy Soap, 3 Bars for 10c
Bathing Wings now 17c Bathing Caps at 10c
Bathing Slippers 25c pair.

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The best quality light and dark Apron Ginghams marked down to... 4½c (Quantity Limited.)	Outing Flannels, checked or striped, regular quality, on Monday... 5½c (Quantity Limited.)	Bleached Crash Toweling, red borders, 10c quality, down to... 6½c (Quantity Limited.)	150 and 200 Linen Rugs, size 6x12 feet, marked down to... 49c (Quantity Limited.)	1500 Brussels Room Rugs, size 6x12 feet, marked down to... 7.50 (Quantity Limited.)	15c dotted and striped Curtain Swiss the yard (3d floor) at... 8c (Quantity Limited.)	Women's assorted 1.00 Shirtrwaists, long or short sleeves, at... 69c (Quantity Limited.)	Women's braid trimmed Gingham Under-shirts, with wide flounce... 98c (Quantity Limited.)	Women's hemstitched white 5c Handkerchiefs marked down to... 1½c (Quantity Limited.)

Mark-Down Items from Men's Dep't

Monday morning only, from 8 till 12 noon:
Men's Mercerized Black Sateen Shirts, 75c value, sizes 14 to 17... 38c
These mark-down specials on sale all day:
Men's White French Balbriggan Under-... 39c
MEN'S BLUE SERGE BATHING SUITS 59c
Men's White Madras Shirts, with cuffs attached, 75c shirts, all day at... 39c
Men's seamless blue and brown mixed Cotton Socks at... 7c

In Shoe Section from 8 to 12 o'clock

Agents' samples of children's high-grade Shoes, from Mayer Boot & Shoe Co., 1.35 to 1.50 values, patent leather, cloth or fancy tops,
59c
THE FOLLOWING MARK-DOWN ITEMS ON SALE ALL DAY:
Women's 2.50 and 3.00 Oxfords... 1.48
Women's 2.50 and 3.00 Shoes at... 1.98

On Sale All Day..Third Floor

Summer-weight Comforters, covered with light colored silkoline, filled with fluffy white cotton batting, 1.50 comforters, marked down to... 1.00
3.50 Mattresses marked down to... 2.00
Double Woven 200 Wire Bed Springs at... 1.25
1.50 Spring Folding Cots, Monday only... 1.15
Novelty Curtain Swiss, per yard... 23c
Best 1.50 Couch Covers marked down to... 1.00
Tapestry Table Covers, with fringe, 2 yards square, marked down to... 98c
BEST 10.00 QUALITY COTTON FELT MATTRESSES 7.45

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10c English Torchon Laces and Insertings, 2 to 3½ inches wide, only... 3c (Quantity Limited.)	German and French Valenciennes Laces with insertings to match, 12½c values, marked down to per yard... 4c	Extra 35c quality Dresden Ribbon, 4 in. wide, all colors, per yard... 15c (Quantity Limited.)	Venise Bands—cream, white and ecru—2 inches wide, values up to 50c, marked down for Monday, the yard... 15c	Fisheye White Pearl Buttons in all sizes, marked down from 10c a dozen to... 4c (Quantity Limited.)	No. 1 Satin Taffeta Silk Ribbon, extra good quality, 18c pieces of 10 yards, marked down for Monday's sale... 10c	Women's sleeveless low-neck Ribbed Vests, in sizes 4, 5 and 6, only... 5c (Quantity Limited.)	Women's Hemstitched White All-over Embroidery Handkerchiefs, 25c values, on Monday... 10c	Women's Washable Sun-Bonnets, all colors, are marked down to... 15c (Quantity Limited.)

On Sale Monday, All Day

Carpet Department, Third Floor
Made-up 9x12 Velvet Rugs, in two-tone and oriental patterns... 12.50
Brussels Carpets, new patterns, with borders to match, per yard only... 69c
Velvet Carpet, with borders and stairs to match, marked down to... 85c
Home-Made 40c Rag Carpet only 30c
Sultana and Granite Ingrains at 15c
Short lengths of 30c Floor Oil Cloths marked down to, square yard... 15c

All Day Monday We'll Make Dress Skirts \$1.50

(Like illustration) to Your Order, including Findings, for...
From any material you may select from our extensive Dress Goods stock.
This price is for the making only. Material required for this skirt:
36-in., 5 yards; 40-in., 4½ yards;
46-in., 4½ yards; 50-in., 4 yards;
54-in., 3½ yards.
Also, five other stylish models that will cost up to 2.50 for the making.

The Following Items On Sale Only from 8 to 12 o'clock Monday Morning

85c quality heavy finished Black Taffeta Silk, yard wide, limit of 5 yards, per yard... 48c
50-in. Broadcloths, black and the new shades for fall wear, 98c quality at... 59c
2 to 15-yd. lengths of Black Sateen for lining purposes, 35c quality, yard wide, per yard... 12½c

On Sale Monday, All Day

Women's Fancy Lace and Embroidery Trimmed 50c Muslin Corset Covers... 35c
Women's Fancy Lace-Trimmed Slipover Muslin Night Gowns, on Monday... 39c
Broken assortments of Children's Washable 25c and 35c White Lawn Hats at... 15c
Cretonne Porch and Canoe Pillow Tops, including backs, marked down to... 25c
Battenberg Braid, white and ecru, 36-yd. pieces, marked down for Monday to... 19c
(Above items on Second Floor.)

We Give 2½ Per Cent. "Sperry" Gold Merchandise Stamps or "S. & H." 2½ Pct. Green Premium Stamps—One Stamp Free With Each 10c Purchase

On Sale Monday, All Day

Children's Black Lisle Hose, sizes 5½ to 9½, with slight mill imperfections, the pair... 8c
Women's extra fine 50c Cotton Hose, sizes 8½ to 9½, with double soles, heels and toes... 33c
Women's Seamless Cotton Hose, with light colored feet, per pair... 15c
Women's open style Ribbed Cotton Pants, sizes 4, 5 and 6, marked down to... 15c
Women's Ribbed Vests with short sleeves, extra large sizes, 7, 8, and 9, marked down to... 10c
Women's Ribbed Cotton Union Suits, sizes 4, 5, and 6, marked down to... 12½c

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On Sale Monday, All Day

Women's 16-button Silk Lisle Gloves—black, white and colors—1.25 and 1.30 values, in all sizes, per pair... 98c
Kaiser 16-button double-tipped Silk Gloves—white, black and colors, marked down from 1.50 per pair to... 98c
ON SALE FROM 8 TO 12 O'CLOCK MONDAY MORNING
Women's elbow-length Lisle Gloves—black, white and tan—all sizes, marked down to... 35c
Women's 1.25 Muslin Under-skirts, trimmed with lace and inserting, from 8 to 12, at... 59c

the race for district attorney. On Thursday he comes out with a long letter to the papers announcing his withdrawal. What happened during the few days between Sunday and Thursday? Who cracked the whip? It would be interesting to have the facts. Boden's letter is interesting reading, and his flaying of Stephenson is a merited one, yet the burden of his letter is a desire for a return to the old times when this state was in the clutch of as conscienceless a lot of capitalist political bloodsuckers as ever disgraced the name of the country in any state of the union. There has been progress made since those days, but like Stephenson was only a pretender in the reform, as recent events so abundantly show.

Ald. Walter must have been in a give-away mood last Monday. At the northwest corner of Fourth and Wells streets stands the Lewis hotel. For years it has been a most damnable scene of crime. Probably more girls have been inveigled into it and practically raped than in any den in the city of Milwaukee that enjoyed police protection. Strangely enough, the administration "overlooked" the Lewis Eu-

ropean hotel bedhouse when it made up its celebrated blacklist. The police had been overlooking it so long that probably they couldn't get over the habit! And last Monday Ald. Walter of the blacklisting committee put on an injured air and charged Ald. Biersach with having resorted to a trick in order to get the Lewis hotel listed! Such a giveaway! Didn't Ald. Walter want the place shown up in its true colors? Instead of scoring Biersach, he should have complimented him. But the complaint against Biersach was that he hired a detective to take a courteous to the place in order to get a case on the hell-hole. Well, Ald. Walter, what of it? We are no admirer of Ald. Biersach and consider him the type of man who is entirely unfit to represent the people, but in this case he got one on the hypocritical administration all right. And the laugh is on you, too, Ald. Walter!

Between the lines of a letter received at this office last week is a crow that the daily papers have been bought up with advertising so that they dare not attack the local ice trust. Is this the reason none of the morning papers published Ald. Melms' resolution introduced in the council Monday exposing the hypocrisy of the ice monopoly and paving the way toward a municipal plant! A pretty state of things truly. The one-day picnic given by the ice monopoly at Mr. Beggs' headquarters was one of the most transparent things ever pulled off in Milwaukee—yet none of the daily papers commented on the significance of it. Was there a reason? Ald. Melms' resolution appears in full at the top of the next column.

MUNICIPAL ICE!

In the council Monday the following resolution was introduced: WHEREAS, Summer after summer Milwaukee has seen hundreds of infants perish and thousands suffer from the scarcity of ice in the homes of the poorer people, due to the monopoly of the same and the high and almost prohibitive prices charged for this necessity as a means for private profit and exploitation, and WHEREAS, This summer we have had the added spectacle of the ice trust giving the children of the poor one day of surfeit, and posing as a public benefactor, while in other cities the authorities are instituting criminal proceedings against the respective ice monopolies; therefore

RESOLVED, That the health department of the city of Milwaukee be, and it is hereby, directed to investigate into the cost of establishing, as a health measure, a plant for the harvesting of ice next winter, or for the manufacture of artificial ice for the supply of the poorer classes, to be delivered at cost, and for emergency cases of sickness, to be delivered free of charge, and report the probable cost of such a plan and such recommendations as it may deem proper to this council. Said report to be made as early as possible, in order that steps may be taken to provide such plant for the next season.

—Ald. Melms.
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The Picnic will be preceded by a MONSTER PARADE through the principal streets. Numerous labor organizations and other societies have signified their intention to participate. Addresses in the afternoon by Louis Kemper of Cincinnati, the International Secretary of the United Brewery Workers, and Frank J. Weber, Business Agent of the Federated Trades Council. All friends of personal liberty cordially invited.

right is their motto. So, no matter where you have been getting fuel, send us your next order.
All orders will be delivered by union teamsters. Certainly, as this is the only way that union men can employ union men to make deliveries of this kind that we know of, every union man will naturally act true to the pledge he has taken, and place his orders here. Every union man ought to see that this is announced frequently at the meetings of his local.

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